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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit: 3651
Examiner:
Applicant: Raymond Keith Foster
Serial No.: 10/759,399
Filed: January 14, 2004
For: RECIPROCATING SLAT CONVEYOR WITH FIXED
AND MOVABLE SLATS
Date: June 14, 2004

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER
37 C.F.R. 1.102(c)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Raymond Keith Foster, the applicant, hereby petitions the Commissioner to make this application special for the reason that applicant is over sixty-five years of age.

This Petition is based on 37 C.F.R. 1.102(c) and MPEP 708.02(IV).

A signed Affidavit by Raymond Keith Foster, the applicant, is submitted herewith, in support of this Petition.

It is applicant's understanding that there is no fee required for this type of petition.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND KEITH FOSTER

By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Delbert J. Barnard", written over a horizontal line.

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**AFFIDAVIT OF RAYMOND KEITH FOSTER IN SUPPORT
OF PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.102(c)**

STATE OF OREGON)
) ss.
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON)

I, RAYMOND KEITH FOSTER, hereby depose and say as follows:

1. I am the applicant in the accompanying patent application entitled
"RECIPROCATING SLAT CONVEYOR WITH FIXED AND MOVABLE SLATS."

2. I am entitled to the benefits of 37 C.F.R. §1.102(c) for the reason that I am over
sixty-five years of age.

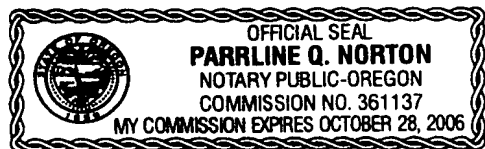
I was born on October 15, 1922 and am presently eighty-one (81) years of age.

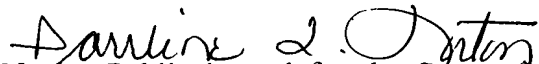
Dated this 19th day of January, 2004.


RAYMOND KEITH FOSTER

STATE OF OREGON)
) ss.
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON)

Subscribed and sworn to before me on the 19th day of January, 2004.




Notary Public in and for the State of Oregon,
residing in Jefferson County. My commission
expires on October 28, 2006.